



## NOTICE OF EXEMPTION

**TO:** Office of Planning and Research  
1400 Tenth Street  
Sacramento, CA 95814

**FROM:** Department of Parks and Recreation  
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**PROJECT TITLE:** Camp Host Site – Outdoor School

**LOCATION:** Palomar Mountain State Park, State Park Road and Doane Valley Road  
**COUNTY:** San Diego

**DESCRIPTION OF THE NATURE AND PURPOSE OF PROJECT:** Install camp host trailer pad with electrical, water, and sewer hook-ups near the maintenance quarters at the Palomar Mountain Outdoor School at Palomar Mountain State Park. The project will take place in two phases: Phase I: An archaeological consultant who meets Secretary of the Interior Professional Qualifications Standards for Archaeology will conduct subsurface testing to determine the presence or absence of archaeological resources. The archaeological testing will include input from Luiseno Native Americans; participation of Luiseno monitors will occur if requested. An archaeological field work permit must be obtained from California State Parks prior to the work. If the report prepared by the qualified consultant determines that there will be no adverse impacts to archaeological resources resulting from development of the proposed project, then the project can proceed to Phase II. If the report prepared by the qualified consultant determines that there would be adverse impacts to archaeological resources if the proposed project were to take place, then the project will be redesigned and subject to new review under CEQA. Phase II: Construct trailer pad on an existing cement pad. Trenches will be dug for the following utility connections and hookups installed: 100' electrical from the maintenance quarters, 50' water from the maintenance quarters, and 144' sewer line from the septic line across the access road.

Project supports public safety and education programs.

**PUBLIC AGENCY APPROVING THE PROJECT:** California Department of Parks and Recreation

**NAME OF DIVISION OR DISTRICT CARRYING OUT THE PROJECT:** Colorado Desert District

**EXEMPT STATUS:** ☒ Categorical Exemption      *Class:* 3, 6      *Section:* 15303, 15306

**REASONS WHY PROJECT IS EXEMPT:** Project consists of the construction and location of limited numbers of new, small facilities or structures and is included as "camp host sites" and "Archeological investigations by permitted individuals" in DPR's list of excluded activities in accordance with CCR §15300.4

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